

TRAFFIC BOARD MEETING #983  
June 20, 2013

The meeting was called to order by A. Block at 10:00AM with the following members present: Luke Day, DPW; Phil Krey, Engineering; Pat Torrico, DPW; Bill Berg, Councilman

Also attending: D. Correll, Retired BPD; N. Dutta, BMTS; L. McCullen, Planning; K. Seeley, Mayor's Office; J. Aiken, Signal Bureau; B. Lescault, Traffic

Guests: Jeremy Pelletier, City Clerk's Office; Robert Cavanaugh, citizen; Gordon Bloom, citizen; Dorothy Kobrin; Jasvir Kaur, citizen

Approval of the minutes of Traffic Board Meeting #982 held on May 16, 2013

P. Krey made a motion to approve the minutes. P. Torrico seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

27 Fairview (Correll)

D. Correll spoke to Corp Counsel and stated that they want Engineering and BMTS to look into this matter.

No Motion.

Buses and 20 Hawley St (A. Block)

D. Correll reported that Traffic and BMTS did a site visit. On the north side where there are currently five parking spaces appears to be a good location for a bus stop. One parking meter would have to be removed. A distance of 79 feet is available for a good line of site. The last space on the west end of the block should be removed. There appears to be no problem with the flow of traffic.

Motion for the bus stop sign to be placed on the north side of the building on Hawley St.

P. Krey made a motion to approve. B. Berg seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Motion for the removal of one parking spot on the western end.

P. Krey made a motion to approve. B. Berg seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Both are approved pending the work order, corresponding traffic codes.

60 Oak Street (A. Block)

J. Kaur is requesting 15 minute parking on Oak St and Leroy due to his business on this corner. The request is for one 15 minute parking spot on Leroy and two 15 minute parking spots on Oak, everyday of the week except Sundays. D. Correll stated that Traffic needs a letter of request indicating the times and space measurements. Also, Traffic will survey the area and make a final decision.

No Motion.

Collier and Hawley

P. Krey reported that the recent parking spot removal coupled with the light change seems to be operating OK. Corp Counsel wants some type of pedestrian safety report conducted on this intersection. Engineering and BMTS will do a study and report back to Traffic Board with a Pedestrian Safety Analysis.

No Motion.

## NEW BUSINESS

Traffic Signal-St. John Ave/Leroy

Cavanaugh stated several concerns about removing the traffic signal at St. John and Leroy. He believes that both traffic signals are needed due to the businesses, restaurants and buses on this block. In addition, removal of this light will make these intersections less safe. He noted that if the city puts in a stop sign it may cause a loss of parking spots which would be detrimental to the businesses in this area.

BMTS looked at previous accidents and the accidents were rear the signals themselves. BMTS will look at the old traffic counts and report back to the board.

P. Torrico stated that on June 5<sup>th</sup> signs were posted that the signals were under study. The Signals Project Team has a meeting to review the target signals. Conklin and Leroy are the 1<sup>st</sup> two intersections they have looks at. The 3<sup>rd</sup> site (Front St) will be marked on Monday.

On July 5<sup>th</sup>, Conklin and Leroy intersections will go on flashing and stop signs will be installed for 90 days. After which the Project Team will meet again to look at more sites to review. They are also looking into new signal controls and which ones can be upgraded. This study will provide the city with extra controllers for future needs.

N. Dutta mentioned a concern about stop bar placements at Mason and Robinson.

No Motion.

5 Rowe Street (Block)

Bloom requested that this street be one side parking only. He is also concerned about the parking on Kane and Spur. D. Correll stated that they usually have parking only on one side on streets like that but that this isn't the case on this street. L. Day suggested that the neighbors get together and decide which side will become the one sided parking. In addition there should be a No Parking To Corner sign at Woodland and Kane.

No motion.

434/S. Washington (Terrico)

P. Torrico expressed a concern for the level of pedestrian traffic at this intersection. He suggested that BMTS and DOT should do a study on this intersection. L. Day noted that the traffic pattern should be changed at some point.

No motion.

Penn Ave and Vestal Ave (Berg)

Councilman Pappastrat is concerned about this intersection. He suggested that a left arrow light be installed. The arrow would be to go west. BMTS and Traffic will look into this matter.

No motion.

B. Berg made a motion to adjourn. P. Torrico seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Kyle Seeley  
Chairman - Traffic Board

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